

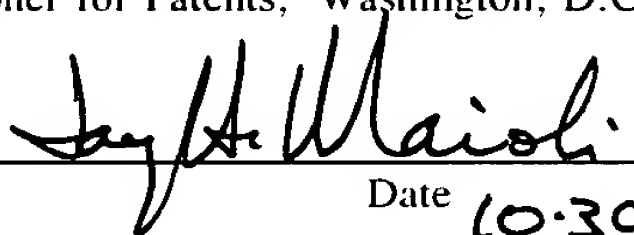
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takashi KUMAGAI, et al.
Serial No.: 09/829,239
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting same to read as follows:

A. --A communication system includes a first storage section for storing pieces of content information, a second storage